

LAST EDITION FIVE GANGS TO-DAY.

Reinforcement of Commissioner Gilroy's Army of Wire and Pole-Choppers.

Companies Trying Vainly to Save Their Circuits.

Forty Thousand Feet of Death-Leaking Wire Removed.

There was a temporary hitch this morning in the electric wire-cutting and pole-chopping campaign, but it was only because Commissioner Gilroy is a careful man, and wanted to be perfectly sure that the contractors and inspectors were doing their duty faithfully.

The inspectors and their squads were all at their posts at 9 o'clock this morning and preparing to go on with the work where they left off yesterday when messengers from Supt. Commissioner of the Bureau of Insurances, brought word that Commissioner Gilroy wanted to see all the inspectors and contractors at his office at 10 o'clock.

All the men quit work immediately and repaired to the Commissioner's office. There were Inspectors Roth, Kelly, Fitzpatrick and Schwartz, and in the two new men, Brown and Gavan, who are in charge of the two gangs which have been organized to remove the dangerous wires and poles in the annexed district, also Contractors Hess and Corrigan.

ELECTRICAL COMPANIES KICKING. Commissioner Gilroy had been informed by the representatives of the electric light companies that they had been destroying good wires and cutting down poles which in no way violated the rules of the Board of Electrical Control, and he simply wanted to find out if this was so.

After a long conference with the inspectors, he was satisfied that the work had been done so far conscientiously and that no property had been willfully or recklessly destroyed, and the gangs were sent out again to resume work in earnest.

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STILL NO VERDICT.

The Cronin Jury Had Nothing to Communicate This Morning.

A Reporter Studies the Twelve Through a Field-Glass.

And Opines That Their Agreement Is Far Off.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.) CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Judge McConnell arrived at the Criminal Court at 10 o'clock this morning.

He was informed by Foreman Clark of the Cronin jury, that they had nothing to communicate to the court.

The court then adjourned until 2 this afternoon.

A reporter who succeeded in gaining a point of vantage directly opposite the jury-room this morning, surveyed the Cronin jury with a field glass, and saw much which indicated the men were very far from agreeing.

They were scattered about the room, all in their shirt-sleeves, and most of them were engaged in waiting for exercise.

Jury Dix was doing the waiting act in true Hamlet style, pacing from north to south.

Every time he came opposite Foreman Clark he stopped, put one hand in his pocket and looked at the other, as if he were counting.

He would then point to the opposite end of the room, where a stubborn and unhappy Culver, perhaps, sat.

This pantomime was gone through with several times.

The rest of the jurors from time to time walked up to Clark and either looked at him or shook their heads, as if they were talking to him while or waiting their turn in a way which indicated that they were very much divided.

Jury Walker, the floor grace Greeley of the twelve, was very emphatic.

He seemed to have his coat off, he wore no vest and one of his suspenders hung at his side.

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CUT TO THE HEART.

Young William Gilbertson Found Dying in the Snow.

A Bloody Trail Led to the Assassin's Arrest.

Stabbed by Patrick White in a Jealous Quarrel.

Policeman James McCabe almost stumbled over the prostrate form of a man lying in the snow in front of 40 Watts street at 3 o'clock this morning.

The policeman thinking that he had to do with a Sunday night "drunk," turned him over on his face. Then he saw that there were splashes of red blood on his shirt.

He got a handkerchief and wheeled the senseless man to the Prince street police station. Sgt. King found a deep wound under the man's heart, from which the blood had poured.

An ambulance was summoned from St. Vincent's Hospital, the surgeon of which pronounced the man's wound fatal.

Sgt. King succeeded in learning that his name was William Gilbertson, a plumber, eighteen years old, and that he lived at 18 Sullivan street.

Detective O'Brien was sent out on the case. Where the young man was found by the policeman there were blood stains in the snow, which the detective followed to the tenement-house, 34 Watts street.

The door was open, and following the tell-tale splashes, he went up to the top of the house. There was a little pool in front of a locked door.

The detective rapped at the door, but on being refused admittance he put his shoulder against it and it yielded.

A man and woman were in the room, and sticking in the wall over the head of the man was an open knife. The room bore traces of a fight.

The detective placed both under arrest, and at the station-house the woman, who gave the name of Jennie Lewis, admitted her companions, Patrick White, had done the stabbing.

They were all three, she said, in a room at Grand and Thompson streets, drinking last night and went together to White's room in the Watts street house.

The young plumber was her favorite, and in a jealous rage White ricked a quarrel with him, stabbed him with the knife found sticking in the wall and threw him out. He forcibly detained her from leaving.

When she had told this story the detective took White to the hospital, where he was promptly identified by the dying man.

Upon their return to the station the prisoner opened up. He said that Gilbertson and the woman invaded his room, and that the plumber tried to rob him and he stabbed him in self-defense.

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HAVE WE LAGRIFFE?

Seven Cases of the Dreaded Imported Influenza Reported To-Day.

Graphic Description of the Sufferers' Symptoms.

Sneezing, Snuffling and Aching Bones Its Chief Characteristics.

"La Grippe" is here.

"We are seven," sneeze that number of people whose bodies are enjoying the distinction of having the first cases of influenza reported in New York.

The European epidemic has arrived, and Dr. Edison, of the Health Department, reports these seven cases to-day.

It is just plain, old-fashioned influenza, say the doctors—the sort that makes the patient feel as if he had an attack from four side-bodied colds all at once; makes his head swim and his nose refuse to smell or breathe; makes cold chills run up and down all his bones, and the bones to feel as if they were just about to come down with rheumatism; makes the patient feel like staying away from the office and the shop; makes Christmas shopping too much of an exertion, even for women.

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BABY GATTI DEAD.

The Prettiest Infant in the Metropolis Succumbed to Convulsions.

Winner of "The Evening World's" Prize Baby Contest.

The Bereaved Father Almost Crazy With Grief.

A sonnet of white, with streamers of satin and crepe, draped from the door-knob at 147 Bleecker street, silently tells that a babe lies asleep in death there.

A little soul has left a baby form, and the mother weeps.

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JOHN L. IN TOWN.

The Big Fellow Will Linger a Week Among Gothamites.

He Has Said He Would Fight Jackson and "That Goes."

Kilrain's Conviction of Assault Rather Puzzles the Champion.

John L. Sullivan is in town.

He came in on the 6 o'clock train this morning, and Joe and Jim Lannon were with him.

Jimmy Wakely met the big fellow and conducted him to his hostelry at the corner of Forty-second street and Sixth avenue, where Sullivan left his grip.

Then the champion pugilist took a Sixth Avenue "L" train, alighted at Eighth street, and was soon being soaped and kneaded by an attendant at a Turkish and Russian bathing establishment in Lafayette Place.

When an EVENING WORLD reporter arrived at the bath the big fellow was seated in the towel department of the institution.

He was in a chair and a barber was yanking his head from side to side and clipping hair here and there seemingly without a tremor of fear.

Sullivan was enveloped in a heavy blanket. He had just come out of the bath and his beneficial effect was plainly seen in the ruddy glow of health that suffused his skin.

The reporter dropped into a chair alongside the champion, to be recognized and greeted with a "Hello, young fellow."

"Hello," said the reporter, meekly.

"I suppose," one of you fellows would say, "that you are here to see the fight with Mike."

Sullivan smiled pleasantly, and was going to talk further when the barber slapped a lot of lather in the vicinity of his mouth, and he shut up.

The shaving operation was concluded. Sullivan stood up and prepared to be introduced to the reporter.

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Juglio, the Japanese Murderer, Doomed to Electrical Death.

Dramatic Scene in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Sentenced by Judge Brady to Die During the Week Beginning Feb. 2.

Smiling in a pleasant though somewhat bewildered fashion, Shichiku Juglio, the first Japanese murderer ever known in this State, sat in the Court of Oyer and Terminer this morning, awaiting the arrival of Judge Brady, who was to sentence him to death.

Juglio is tall and sturdy built, with raven-black hair, black eyes, thin whiskers and mustache.

He seemed to have no idea that he stood in the shadow of death to-day, and laughed merrily at those around him, although he could only imperfectly understand what they had to say.

Judge Brady entered the courtroom at 11:15 A. M. Almost immediately Juglio was arraigned for sentence.

Col. Fellows moved for judgment, saying that the prisoner had been found guilty of murder in the first degree, and asked that the sentence prescribed by law be pronounced upon him.

Through an interpreter Juglio was asked what he had to say, if anything, why such sentence should not be passed.

In answer to the question Juglio was silent for some time, and then he said that he was innocent of the crime, and that he was going to be punished by death.

"Ask him what he has to say," said Judge Brady.

Slowly, sadly, in his native tongue, with downcast eyes and reddening cheeks, the prisoner said to the interpreter:

"I did not kill the man deliberately. He was drunk and I was drunk. He came to me with a knife and I defended myself."

"You are arraigned for the highest offense known to the law. The best of counsel has been assigned to you, and the attention of the Court of your native country was called to your case. You have been convicted of murder in the first degree, and I warn you that you need not expect any clemency in your case, as there are no extenuating circumstances."

"The sentence of the Court is that you be put to death according to law some day during the week beginning Feb. 2, 1900. You may God have mercy on your soul."

The sentence of the Court was read, and Juglio was taken to the prison.